

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (currently amended) A safe for deposits, into which a sealed bag containing cash is inserted and which houses said bag, comprising:

a bag insertion portion, having a receiving portion which receives the inserted bag and a reader which reads information of a storing portion of said bag in said receiving portion;

a cassette housing portion which houses a replaceable cassette for placing therein the bag inserted into said receiving portion and having a storing portion; and

a control portion which judges whether the bag can be received through said read information by said reader of said bag insertion portion, and places the receivable bag in said cassette when judging said bag is received, and

wherein said control portion writes information for said placed bags [[in]] to the storing portion of said cassette by using a writing portion of said cassette housing portion.

Claim 2 (original) The safe for deposits according to Claim 1,

wherein said bag insertion portion further comprises a shutter mechanism for placing said bag in said cassette from said receiving portion, and

said control portion operates said shutter mechanism to place said receivable bag in said cassette.

Claim 3 (currently amended) [[The]] A safe for deposits, into which a sealed bag containing cash is inserted and which houses said bag, comprising:

a bag insertion portion, having a receiving portion which receives the inserted bag and a reader which reads information of a storing portion of said bag in said receiving portion;

a cassette housing portion which houses a replaceable cassette for placing therein the bag inserted into said receiving portion and having a storing portion; and

a control portion which judges whether the bag can be received through said read information by said reader of said bag insertion portion, and places the receivable bag in said cassette, and

wherein said control portion writes information for said placed bags to the storing portion of said cassette by using a writing portion of said cassette housing portion according to claim 1,

wherein said bag insertion portion is constructed to be pulled out such that said receiving portion can receive said bag in the vertical direction, and said control portion, after said bag insertion portion has been pulled out, detects the return of said bag insertion portion, and receives said read information from said reader.

Claim 4 (original) The safe for deposits according to claim 1, further comprising:  
an input portion for input of identification data of a person who inserted said bag; and  
a lock mechanism to lock said bag insertion portion, and wherein said control portion  
judges the validity of said input identification information and releases the lock of said lock  
mechanism.

Claim 5 (original) The safe for deposits according to claim 1, wherein said cassette has a  
door covering an aperture for receiving said bag from said receiving portion, and said cassette  
housing portion has a cassette lock mechanism to open said door of said inserted cassette.

Claim 6 (original) The safe for deposits according to claim 5, wherein said cassette lock  
mechanism closes said door when said cassette is removed from said cassette housing portion.

Claim 7 (currently amended) A method of control of a safe for deposits, into which a  
sealed bag containing cash is inserted and which houses said bag, comprising the steps of:

reading information of a storing portion of said bag inserted into a bag insertion portion  
which receives said bag;

judging whether the bag can be received, based on said read information;

placing the receivable bag in a cassette having a storing portion when judging said bag is  
received; and

writing the information of said placed bag[[, in]] to the storing portion of said cassette by using a writing portion of said cassette housing portion.

Claim 8 (original) The method of control of a safe for deposits according to Claim 7, wherein said placing step comprises a step of operating a shutter mechanism to place said bag in said cassette from said insertion portion , and placing said receivable bag in said cassette.

Claim 9 (currently amended) [[The]] A method of control of a safe for deposits into which a sealed bag containing cash is inserted and which houses said bag, comprising the steps of:

reading information of a storing portion of said bag inserted into a bag insertion portion which receives said bag;

judging whether the bag can be received, based on said read information;

placing the receivable bag in a cassette having a storing portion; and

writing the information of said placed bag to the storing portion of said cassette by using a writing portion of said cassette housing portion, according to claim 7;

wherein said reading step comprises:

a step of detecting, after the pulling-out of said bag insertion portion which can be pulled out in order to receive said bag in the vertical direction, the return of said bag insertion portion;  
and

a step of reading said read information from said reader.

Claim 10 (original) The method of control of a safe for deposits according to claim 7,  
further comprising:

an input step of inputting identification data of a person who inserted said bag; and

a step of judging the validity of said input identification data and of releasing the lock of a  
lock mechanism of said bag insertion portion.

Claim 11 (original) The method of control of a safe for deposits according to claim 7,  
further comprising a step of opening a door covering an aperture in said cassette to receive said  
bag from said bag insertion portion, upon insertion of said cassette in said cassette housing  
portion.

Claim 12 (original) The method of control of a safe for deposits according to claim 11,  
further comprising a step of closing said door when said cassette is removed from said cassette  
housing portion.

Claim 13 (original) A deposit system, utilizing a safe for deposits into which a sealed  
bag containing cash is inserted and which houses said bag, comprising:

said safe for deposits comprising:

a bag insertion portion, having a receiving portion to receive the inserted bag and a reader which reads information of a storing portion of said bag in said receiving portion;

a cassette housing portion which houses a replaceable cassette for placing therein the bag inserted into said receiving portion and having a storing portion; and,

a control portion which judges whether the bag can be received through said read information from said reader of said bag insertion portion, places the receivable bag in said cassette, and writes information on said placed bag in a storing portion of said cassette, and a scrutiny processing device which reads the information of said storing portion of said transported cassette and the information of the storing portion of said bag within said cassette and performs scrutiny processing.

Claim 14 (original) The deposit system according to claim 13, wherein said bag insertion portion further comprises a shutter mechanism for placing said bag in said cassette from said receiving portion, and said control portion operates said shutter mechanism to place said receivable bag in said cassette.

Claim 15 (original) The deposit system according to claim 13, wherein said bag insertion portion is constructed to be pulled out such that said receiving portion can receive said bag in the vertical direction, and said control portion, after said bag insertion portion has been

pulled out, detects the return of said bag insertion portion, and receives said read information from said reader.

Claim 16 (original) The deposit system according to claim 13, wherein said safe for deposits further comprises:

an input portion for input of identification data of a person who inserted said bag; and  
a lock mechanism to lock said bag insertion portion, and  
wherein said control portion judges the validity of said input identification information and releases the lock of said lock mechanism.

Claim 17 (original) The deposit system according to claim 13, wherein said cassette has a door covering an aperture for receiving said bag from said receiving portion, and said cassette housing portion has a cassette lock mechanism to open said door of said inserted cassette.

Claim 18 (original) The deposit system according to claim 17, wherein said cassette lock mechanism closes said door when said cassette is removed from said cassette housing portion.

Claim 19 (original) A deposit processing method, comprising:  
a step of reading information of a storing portion of a sealed bag containing cash, which has been inserted into a bag insertion portion which receives said bag;

a step of judging whether the bag can be received based on said read information;  
a step of placing the receivable bag in a cassette having a storing portion;  
a step of writing, in the storing portion of said cassette, information for said placed bag;  
and  
a scrutiny processing step of reading the information of said storing portion of said removed cassette and the information of the storing portion of said bag within said cassette, and of performing scrutiny processing.

Claim 20 (original) The deposit processing method according to claim 19, wherein said placing step comprises a step of operating a shutter mechanism for placing said bag in said cassette from said insertion portion, and placing said receivable bag in said cassette.

Claim 21 (original) The deposit processing method according to claim 19, wherein said reading step comprises:

a step of detecting, after the pulling-out of said bag insertion portion which can be pulled out so as to receive said bag in the vertical direction, the returning of said bag insertion portion;  
and  
a step of reading said read information from said reader.



Claim 22 (original) The deposit processing method according to claim 19, further comprising:

an input step of inputting identification data of a person who inserted said bag; and

a step of judging the validity of said input identification data and of releasing the lock of a lock mechanism of said bag insertion portion.

Claim 23 (original) The deposit processing method according to claim 19, further comprising a step of opening a door covering an aperture of said cassette for receiving said bag from said bag insertion portion, in response to the insertion into a cassette housing portion of said cassette.

Claim 24 (original) The deposit processing method according to claim 23, further comprising a step of closing said door when said cassette is removed from said cassette housing portion.